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Mr. Ajit Pai Chairman Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, SW Washington, DC 20554

Re: NOTICE OF EX PARTE

WT Docket No. 17-79: Accelerating Wireless Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment;

WT Docket No. 15-180: Revising the Historic Preservation Review Process for Wireless Facility Deployment;

WC Docket No. 17-84: Accelerating Wireline Broadband Deployment by Removing Barriers to Infrastructure Investment

Dear Chairman Pai:

Streamlined infrastructure reform is critical to serving consumers in low density, hard-to-reach areas. For this reason, Nex-Tech Wireless supports the Federal Communications Commission's ("FCC" or "Commission") work to address barriers to mobile broadband deployment. I urge the FCC to move quickly to help bridge the digital divide in rural America.

Nex-Tech Wireless serves consumers in rural and remote areas, including portions of Kansas and Colorado. The FCC's proposed changes will spur investment and increase certainty as non-nationwide carriers work to preserve and expand service in the most challenging locales in the United States. With the move towards next-generation technologies, the time is ripe to adopt streamlined infrastructure policies that promote investment, expedite processes, and remove red tape. It is imperative that the FCC take immediate action to adopt its proposals to reduce and eliminate burdensome deployment procedures for all stakeholders.

The Commission's commitment to reforming mobile broadband infrastructure deployment processes is shared by nationwide, rural, and regional carriers alike. Nex-Tech Wireless remains eager for continued collaboration with the Commission, Congress, Tribes, and states to streamline and update infrastructure siting policies that will help close the digital divide.

This letter is being filed electronically with your office pursuant to Section 1.1206 of the Commission's rules.

Respectfully submitted,

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